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SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, first of all, it's not an odd configuration, it's a more streamlined configuration, if the change is made. But the reason it's Nemaha is because Nemaha is the only county that can be moved which both improves the deviations in the first district and improves the deviations in the fifth district. As you know, throughout all these processes that we've been going through, we've been trying to get the deviations down to as close to zero as possible, if we don't have to break up county lines, and we're not...I'm not breaking up any county lines here. But the main purpose of the Supreme Court districts is to choose a judge from that district. And so it seems to me that the paramount concern ought to be having about an equal number of people in each district so that everybody has an equal chance of being chosen as a Supreme Court judge out of a particular district. It's...that's the only reason, actually, we have Supreme Court districts is so we can divide the state up and have a judge from each...each one of fairly equal areas. And without...

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well, I understand...

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...breaking up the counties, this creates a more equal area.

SENATOR VRTISKA: I understand that, but at the same time, over the next ten years, there's no certainty that what we are trying to do to the ultimate is going to actually remain. In other words, growth in any one of those districts could upset the whole proposition. And so I was under the impression that the deviation was put into the process simply for the purpose of allowing counties not to...and you're not crossing county lines, but...but to allow a cleaner configuration. And when you look at the original map, you wonder why it wouldn't be more practical to put Johnson County in the fifth district instead of Nemaha; that's what I'm trying to understand. Looking at the old map where it includes, if I'm looking at the right map, it goes down, Richardson, Nemaha, Johnson, Otoe, Cass and Lancaster. Is that right?

SENATOR BEUTLER: That's right.